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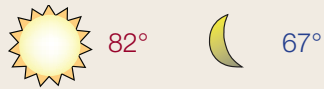
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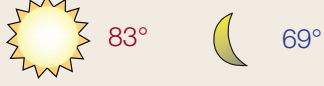
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Mungo served on the Board of Trustees for the University for 38 years. He had many different roles over the course of his service, from vice chairman of the board to chairman emeritus.

Mungo Biography
Born: Bethune, SC
Surviving Children: Stewart and Steven
Age: 82

38-year Board of Trustees Member and chairman
prolific homebuilder

Beloved USC trustee dies

Michael J. Mungo leaves behind legacy to USC community

Josh Dawsey
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Most in the Midlands knew Michael Mungo as a heavyweight in the construction industry, a power broker on USC's governing Board of Trustees, a key player in some of the University's biggest decisions in the past 30 years and the namesake of the highest award for faculty members.

Herbert Adams, current member and Chairman Emeritus of the Board, knew him for his giving spirit.

"He told every dean at the university to contact him if they knew of a student who didn't have the money to pay for a last semester or year of tuition and were in danger of not getting their degree on time," Adams said. "And he'd give them the money. He didn't do it with the spotlight on him. He just was generous to students."

Mungo died Sunday of congestive heart failure in his Columbia home at the age of 82, leaving the University without one of its staunchest supporters and generous donors. His 38 years of service on the Board of Trustees were marked with some of the biggest transformations in the history of the University both academically and athletically. Mungo served on the board from 1969 to 1978 and from 1982 until his death Sunday.

"He had a tough exterior and a very compassionate

and warm interior," USC President Harris Pastides said. "He was conservative in his financial values, he was steadfast and loyal to the University, he spoke his mind and what he thought was the truth to your face. He was a unique individual who left many lasting lessons."

In the business community, Mungo was respected throughout the state. He built one of the largest homebuilding companies in the nation, The Mungo Companies, later turning it over to his sons Stewart and Steven. It developed more than 50 neighborhoods in the Columbia area. To the University, he was a dedicated trustee with a vast knowledge of the University's operations. Much of his expertise on the board dealt with the University's finances.

"He was an expert about financial issues and various bond issues the University has issued in the past," Board Chairman Miles Loadholt said. "He was very conscious of how we spent our money."

Mungo was cognizant of maintenance issues on campus, encouraging the board to keep the University's buildings in top shape, according to Loadholt. He believed in putting aside money every year for needed repairs.

From 1988 to 1992, Mungo served as vice chairman of the board and he served as its chairman emeritus from 1992 to 1996. His tenure was marked in some controversy, as the University ousted

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Alum races to help friend fight cancer

Joe Marruchella raises funds, awareness by running 52.4 miles in 13 days

Derek Legette
STAFF WRITER

USC alum Joe Marruchella is preparing to run a marathon in Boston, not for the reward or the prestige, but to raise money for his friend Dominic D'Eramo, who in August was diagnosed.

"It is really a humbling experience to be able to help a close friend who is in a difficult fight with cancer," Marruchella said. "I feel very privileged and honored to help Dom and his family."

Marruchella grew up in Pennsylvania and found his way to South Carolina in 1990.

"I had been a high-school athlete, football, basketball and baseball, but never a runner or track athlete," he said. "I always respected the sport, but had always stuck to the more traditional or mainstream sports."

At USC he studied political science and business with a marketing cognate. Marruchella made close friends at USC. He makes his way back to campus from time to time as he is vice president for fundraising company RuffaloCODY, LLC, which works closely with the University as partners with the Carolina Callers and the USC Annual Giving Program. He oversees operations at more than 60 colleges and universities in the U.S. and Canada.

"My wife Dawn and I met in the summer of 1995 which was the same year that I met my good friend Dom," said Marruchella. "Dom and my wife are childhood friends, who literally have known each other since they were the smallest of children." Marruchella met Dom when Marruchella and his wife started dating and they immediately connected. "He is one of the greatest guys I've ever met in life and he is really a remarkable person."

Marruchella took up running marathons in 2006, looking for a challenge that would test him mentally as well as physically.

"I ran the Philadelphia Marathon in 2006 back in my old hometown finishing 3:58:08, which was certainly a respectable



Courtesy of Andrea Moore

Andrea Moore participated in the Semester at Sea program. She visited a township in South Africa.

GAMECOCK OF THE WEEK

Andrea Moore

Student receives Knowles Science Teaching Fellowship in Mathematics

Sara Hartley
STAFF WRITER

As the ninth student at USC to be named a Knowles Teaching Fellow, fourth-year math student Andrea Moore hopes to bring together everything she has learned to make math a more enjoyable subject for high school students in South Carolina.

Moore is a 2010 recipient of the Knowles Science Teaching Fellowship in Mathematics, which will support her professionally and financially for up to five years after she graduates in May.

"A lot of students don't like math and get frustrated with it," Moore said. "I just want to be a teacher who can help students understand it so they won't grow up hating math."

Because Moore is a math student with a

minor in education, her first step is to earn a Master of Teaching in Secondary Education from USC, which will certify her as a teacher after a year of classes and student teaching. The Knowles fellowship supports students like Moore who have earned a degree in math, science or engineering but seek to teach in U.S. schools.

"Andrea's selection as a Knowles Fellow is testimony to her hard work and dedication as a USC mathematics major committed to becoming a high school teacher," Ed Dickey, mathematics education professor in the University's Department of Instruction and Teacher Education said in a news release.

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LOCAL & WORLD NEWS

LOCAL McMaster leads in funding

Attorney General Henry McMaster appears to have won the dollar race in the first quarter in his bid to win the GOP nomination for governor.

The two-term Republican attorney general reported raising \$430,078 in cash for his primary bid. But he was trailed closely by Lt. Gov. Andre Bauer's \$397,978 and U.S. Rep. Gresham Barrett \$393,161.

"It feels good to be gaining both financial and political momentum at precisely the right time in this race," said McMaster spokesman Rob Godfrey.

Barrett's campaign noted that McMaster entered the race with more than \$1 million from his re-election campaign. "Today that margin is gone," Barrett spokesman B.J. Boling said.

Bauer would have trailed Barrett if he had not included \$23,300 in donations after the quarter closed March 31. Bauer adviser Rod Shealy said it wasn't an effort to game Bauer's reporting. "We're just over-reporting," Shealy said. "We're going above and beyond what the law requires."

He's also the only GOP candidate to put a substantial amount of his own cash into the race. He gave the campaign \$70,000 during the quarter and lent it \$245,000 on Dec. 31.

The GOP's fourth candidate, state Rep. Nikki Haley, reported with \$192,394 for the quarter. The figures reflect cash raised during the quarter, not non-cash aid for the candidates.

However, Barrett leads the cash-on-hand race with \$1.6 million to \$1.4 million each for Bauer and McMaster. Haley had \$530,023 on hand on March 31.

In practical terms, the cash on hand difference between Barrett, McMaster and Bauer amounts to nearly a week of heavy statewide television ad time for Barrett. It also suggests that while Haley may not be seen as frequently on television, she's raised enough to mount a credible campaign.

Because McMaster, Bauer and Barrett all have more fundraising experience, Haley's showing surprised Furman University political scientist Danielle Vinson. "She can be heard with that amount of money. It's still going to be tough for her to compete. But that's enough money to get some ads up and to get some grassroots mobilization going," Vinson said. "She's apparently making this a very credible run."

NATIONAL Team looks into mine disaster

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Federal investigators arrived Monday at the West Virginia mine where 29 men died in an explosion last week to begin piecing together what caused the worst U.S. coal mining disaster since 1970.

Thirty miles to the north, hundreds of mourners including the governor observed a moment of silence at the state Capitol, during a wreath-laying ceremony at the foot of a statue honoring the state's miners.

The team of inspectors at the Upper Big Branch mine weren't heading underground until searchers finished the grim task of removing the final nine bodies from the mine. The team from the Mine Safety and Health Administration briefed Secretary of Labor Hilda Solis and MSHA director Joe Main at the mine.

The last bodies were expected to be taken out of the mine Monday afternoon, state mine office spokeswoman Jama Jarrett said. Recovery efforts had been stalled in previous days by volatile gases, but teams had entered by early Monday after the tunnels were ventilated.

The state panel that writes mining safety rules and typically reviews mine inspectors' reports after the investigations are complete said Monday it would like to join the investigators underground this time.

Richmond, VA-based Massey has been under scrutiny for a string of safety violations at the mine, though CEO Don Blankenship has defended the company's record and disputed accusations that he puts profits ahead of safety.

Authorities have said high methane levels may have played a role in the disaster. Massey has been repeatedly cited and fined for problems with the system that vents methane and for allowing combustible dust to build up.

Hours after the blast, the company flew Gov. Joe Manchin back from a Florida vacation on one of its planes, Manchin said Monday. The governor's top lawyer told him the use of the company's plane was acceptable because it was an emergency and a flight on a state plane couldn't immediately be arranged.

Mourning continued Monday, exactly a week after the explosion, with the ceremony at the state Capitol and a moment of silence at 3:30 p.m. President Barack Obama on Monday ordered all U.S. flags in the state flown at half-staff until sunset Sunday.

Beneath a sunny sky, several hundred people held hands and prayed aloud during the ceremony. Four black-ribboned wreaths were placed at the memorial, as more than a dozen family members of those killed looked on. The largest bore white roses for each miner killed, and two yellow roses for the injured. Twenty-nine yellow helmets were lined up in front of the statue, a black ribbon on each.

INTERNATIONAL Crash revives Kaczynski's party

WARSAW, Poland — Before the plane crash that killed him, President Lech Kaczynski was facing likely defeat in fall elections as voters turned away from his conservative message.

But a surge of sympathy could bring a reprieve for his political movement rooted in traditional Catholic values and a suspicion of Poland's big neighbors — especially if his identical twin brother Jaroslaw, once his partner as child actors and the key political operator in the political duo, runs for the presidency in his place.

Jaroslaw Kaczynski, 60, has not yet said if he will seek the job: for now he appears overwhelmed by grief at the loss of his brother in Saturday's crash that also killed 95 others, many from the Kaczynski brothers' inner circle.

"This is a time of mourning," Mariusz Blaszcak, a spokesman for Kaczynski's Law and Justice, party told The Associated Press. "It's a bad time for any speculation."

The scenario of a run by Jaroslaw, however, would seem natural because with the president dead, there is nobody with as high a profile within Law and Justice — the party the brothers founded together — to represent it in the presidential race. The balloting was originally set for the autumn but now must be held by late June.

"If he decides to run, he may hope for a win on sympathy votes because Poles make decisions based on emotions," said Kazimierz Kik, a political scientist at Kielce University.

Lech Kaczynski and the Law and Justice party saw their popularity decline sharply over the past three years. Many Poles grew tired of the polarizing role the Kaczynski camp played in seeking to punish old communists and in their skepticism toward old foes Germany and Russia, and even the EU.

Their nationalist and socially conservative stance often put them at loggerheads with more liberal-minded leaders within the EU and in Germany, the country's biggest neighbor.

In 2007, Law and Justice was defeated in parliamentary elections in a clear signal that many Poles had tired of the brothers' divisive style. Jaroslaw lost the job of prime minister he had held for nearly a year and a half — with his brother as president in a largely ceremonial role. Poland's president is commander in chief but the role carries more symbolic weight than real power.

Since then, support has remained high for the rival Civic Platform party, a centrist grouping led by Prime Minister Donald Tusk. Many — especially younger Poles and the rising entrepreneurial classes — like the party's no-drama pragmatism and support for free-market economics.

Tusk, whose job makes him Poland's most powerful leader, was not on board the plane. Nor was the country's most famous son, Solidarity founder and ex-President Lech Walesa.

— The Associated Press

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former President Jim Holderman for extravagant spending. Holderman later plead guilty to a variety of charges.

The board and the University were both under fire during the Holderman controversy, Adams said.

Mungo led the auditing process and created a fiscal policy committee which made dozens of recommendations to the University to clean up the problems left by Holderman. His leadership style earned him respect from both the Board of Trustees and Pastides.

“He spoke his mind and what he thought was the truth directly to your face,” Pastides said.

Adams agreed, adding Mungo was never vindictive, always supporting board decisions after a vote even when his vote didn’t agree with the majority.

One of his proudest achievements while leading the board was the inclusion of the University into the Southeastern Conference. The move skyrocketed athletic revenues and increased the prestige of the school nationwide.

“He was particularly enthusiastic about athletics,” Loadholt said. “He kept up with the teams, the budgets, the facilities, and he was very knowledgeable.”

His namesake at USC is The Michael J. Mungo Distinguished Professor Award. It’s given annually to a faculty member selected by both previous winners and students. The \$10,000 prize is considered the top award for teaching, according to selection chairman and biology professor Richard Showman. He also sponsored awards for outstanding graduate assistants and graduate education.

“He was a man with a real dedication to the University and teaching in particular,” Showman said. “I don’t know if he ever

gave an award for research. All of his donations to the university were for quality teaching.”

He believed everyone deserved an education. He reached out to black students before it was “cool,” Adams said, earning him a great deal of respect in the black community. He gave money to the Harvest Hope Food Bank. He launched a non-profit Christian foundation to help specific causes.

Pastides saw his dedication firsthand.

“He counseled me relative to my advancement, suggested that I hang in here, and told me I had a good reputation and not to give up hope when I was a little discouraged,” Pastides said. “I considered him an extraordinary person.”

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first marathon time, but I was injured during my training and really struggled over the final 14 miles of the race.”

He was hooked on the marathon at that point.

“I wanted to train smarter, run faster and try to qualify for the Boston Marathon, which is the only time qualifier Marathon in the US and arguably the most famous marathon in the world.”

He worked hard training for a year and chose the 2009 Pittsburgh Marathon as his qualifying race last May.

“The race was in my wife’s hometown this time as well as Dom’s and I was able to run a personal best 3:17:43 at Pittsburgh making my time by 2:17.”

One of the faces greeting Marruchella at the finish was his friend Dom.

At the time Dom and his wife Val had just had their second child. He complained of a great deal of pain he was having in his stomach when he ate and the doctors at the time were saying it could be Diverticulitis or perhaps Chrones Disease.

As it turned out Dom was suffering from a serious form of stomach cancer that would be diagnosed a few months later.

“As I began training for Boston over the summer, my wife and I received a call about Dom’s diagnosis and the story was not a good one.”

In order to combat the cancer, Dom went through a very in-depth surgery which would remove his stomach, spleen, parts of several other organs, a hot chemotherapy “bath” treatment as well as six rounds of chemotherapy.

“On a training run that Sunday I kept wishing that I could return to the Pittsburgh Marathon again this year in May and run Dom’s hometown race in his honor,” Marruchella said.

There was very little Marruchella could

do with only 13 days between the Boston Marathon and the Pittsburgh Marathon.

“It was at that moment on a trail I had run literally hundreds and hundreds of times before I decided to run both races only 13 days apart, and Run for Dom was born.”

Since then, Marruchella has been training hard over the past four months and will be racing as bib number 7929 at Boston on April 19. He will then be returning to Austin only to fly back to the East Coast and Race in Pittsburgh on May 2.

“To date our donors have given more than \$11,000 to Run for Dom with more donors making gifts every day,” Marruchella said.

There have been more than 8,000 hits to the Run for Dom Blog and more than 600 people following RFD on Twitter, which Marruchellsa says has been amazing.

“I am really hoping to honor my good friend at these two races and hopefully make a difference in the lives of Dom and his family,” he said.

Marruchella said he knows few things with absolute certainty, but he does know that the world is a much better place with Dominic D’Eramo Jr. in it. “If I can do something to help Dom and his family battle this terrible disease, then I should.”

Running 52.4 miles with only 13 days apart will not be easy, but Marruchella embraces it.

“It is going to be very challenging, especially during the second marathon on tired legs over a hilly course,” he said. “But that sounds about right to me, I wouldn’t have it any other way.”

Marruchella is hoping to run his personal best at Boston but that is not really what the run is about.

“It is about making a difference where you can in life,” he said. “Choosing not to just let life ‘happen to you’ and stand up for the things you are passionate about.”

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Recipients of the fellowship are given money for classes and a monthly stipend to offset the costs of earning their teaching certificate. Once teaching full-time, Moore said she will also complete portfolios and participate in discussions and conferences with other fellows. “They want to retain really good math and science teachers,” she said.

In receiving this award, Moore was assisted by the Office of Fellowship and Scholar Programs. According to a news release, this is the sixth consecutive year that the University has had Knowles winners.

“The strong leadership skills she developed at USC helped her compete successfully among candidates from the most prestigious colleges and universities in the United States,” Dickey said in the news release.

Moore said one of her favorite experiences of her college years was the semester she spent abroad on the Semester at Sea program in 2009. During this semester, she visited several countries and had the opportunity to take an “Education around the World” class. She said she enjoyed seeing classrooms and talking to students in each country.

“I got to see their different views on

education and teachers,” Moore said.

While at USC, Moore served as a grader for the math department and worked as a math tutor.

“I tutored some local high school students ... when they started understanding it I got so excited,” Moore said.

Among other activities, Moore is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a national honor society, and Pi Mu Epsilon, a math honors society. She has also received multiple scholarships and is a South Carolina Teaching Fellow. In return for this scholarship, recipients are required to do community service and teach in South Carolina for the number of years they receive the award.

This will require Moore to teach in the state for at least four years, but she said she is planning on staying in South Carolina anyway. She hopes to teach algebra at a high school in Lexington.

“I really like the school district and love the atmosphere,” Moore said. “The teachers come to school because they really want to teach.”

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Mungo left his mark on USC community

The Daily Gamecock would like to dedicate this editorial to a man who truly left his mark on this University. Our University and the community as a whole are better because of the dedicated and enthusiastic efforts of the late Michael Mungo.

A leader in the suburban homes industry, member of the USC Board of Trustees and beloved member of the community, Mungo dedicated his life to this University and everyone in it. He pushed through the politics and the challenges, serving both as the longest serving member on the board and former leader of the board. Mungo fought on behalf of the University as it saw its fair share of struggles. He didn't just work at the top, but found ways to support his fellow Gamecocks down to the individuals and the details. And he didn't keep to his financial expertise but spread his love for this University across the SEC and supporting his fellow leaders and students.

“ We will always keep our fellow gamecock in our hearts and memories. ”

As our reporter found when speaking with friends and colleagues, there are only warm words to describe our late distinguished leader.

As we think about the Carolina Creed and what it means to be a true Gamecock, we should look to Mungo's memory and thank him not only his contributions in life, but in the example he has left for us to follow. We were lucky to have Michael Mungo as a role model, and we will always keep our fellow gamecock in our hearts and memories.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Bodybuilding competition shows USC stuck on physical judgments

Dear Editor,
While I realize that the Miss USC competition is modeled after the Miss America contest, I find it depressing and disturbing that in this day and age, on a college campus no less, we are still judging women (and men) on how they look rather than their character, academic achievement or community building.

Nine women participated. NINE women out of the how many that attend USC's Columbia campus? The club adviser claims that "This competition is a way of rewarding people for their physique improvement."

Who is he fooling? Women were judged on body symmetry and skin tone. If you weren't born with a perfect skin tone or perfect body symmetry how do you change that short of surgery?

Does no one realize that we are perpetuating the myth that a woman's looks should come before her capabilities?

It disgusts me that I pay thousands of dollars a semester to attend a school who chooses representatives based on how they look.

Especially since those "perfect bodies" are not attainable by over half the women on campus. I, personally, am in no way, shape or form "fat" but I do not have "lean feminine lines"

I have the curves that make me a WOMAN. I do not have a perfect skin tone, I have a life lived and the genes that were passed down through genetics and biology.

Does that make my contributions to the school, the city and the world less? Am I not a representative of USC or do I not count because I don't have the "perfect" body. You want to have a body building contest? Fine, that is not my place to judge.

But when you do it under the title of Miss USC as if that is a realistic image of our campus or a realistic representation of our students, you do ALL the women on campus a disservice.

Sincerely,

Jamie Majors
Second-year education student

Voters: come back to local elections

Political participation shouldn't be limited to presidential ballot

I've never been one for local politics. Growing up in rural parts, where the whispers of stunted cotton plants passed for oratory, the antics of the statehouse were inconsequential.

But I've had a change of heart. I turned 18 just in time for the presidential election. I cast my vote, and that was that. Another four years to go until I do that again, I thought.

I believed what I feel so many believe in this country: The vote begins and ends with the president. Columbia's mayoral race reminded me of that belief. Of the 63,098 registered voters, only about 27 percent cast ballots April 6 . With numbers like this, we're lucky to have elections at all.

While voter turnout steadily rises for presidential elections, voters pull away from their city and state elections. We say over and over again that we want to bring change to Washington, but we ignore the mires of corruption and ineffectuality spreading through our own "backyards."

What's worse is that today's politics make use of this apathy. The Democrats have been cozily wrapped in Obama's image; the Republicans have already begun riling their supporters for congressional elections. For the former: Why haven't you better enforced your image at the state level? For the latter: Why don't you try to change health care legislation by being involved in the state agencies that must actually carry it out? Instead our minds are funneled toward Washington, where the big boys play ball and take home all the winnings.

I could go on with the typical, pseudo-patriotic rhetoric that other writers or speakers use: how this is your patriotic duty, etc. I think the issue is simpler than that. If you care about your home, would you entrust the deciding of its leaders to a few guys and gals for whom the booth was on their way to work? It's ultimately a question of whether or not our eyes are open to the things around us.

One out of every four, Columbia. That doesn't sound like a lucky number to me.



Michael Lambert
First-year comparative literature student

Stevens' retirement creates deja vu for Obama

After controversy plagued last justice nomination, more sure to follow now

Last Friday Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens announced that he would be retiring in June. This leaves President Obama with the task of appointing another judge to a lifetime position on the court, less than a year after he nominated Sonia Sotomayor to replace the retiring David Souter. All of the recent nominees Supreme Court have provoked bitter confirmation battles, and we can expect the same this time, no matter who the President selects. Once again the contradictions and confusions that surround the court will be on full display. If recent confirmation fights are any indication, this confusion will not be resolved anytime soon.

It's unlikely that the President would have chosen this exact moment to appoint another Supreme Court justice. Having exhausted his political capital on passing health care legislation, and with the controversy surrounding Sotomayor's appointment last summer fresh in voters minds, another partisan political battle is the last thing the President needed.

But like it or not, the battle will commence. Discussions about the court have been complicated by its uncertain relationship to

Washington politics and the American people. Everyone knows what a Supreme Court justice is supposed to be: Intelligent, experienced and an impartial interpreter of the law who is above politics and outside influence. In reality, the court wields incredible influence on issues that are political in nature. In the present court there are easily identifiable conservative and liberal blocs, and popular opinion over the quality of each justice is divided along partisan lines.

John Paul Stevens has long been considered a liberal. For his part, he has said he doesn't think of himself as a liberal at all and that he is a judicial conservative. Appointed by Republican Gerald Ford, Stevens says the court has simply become more conservative. It may have, but Stevens is still a liberal in the eyes of the public, and considering that he made what appeared to be a tactical move of not retiring until Barack Obama was elected, his claim to the conservative mantle is questionable.

That these discussions happen at all belies the ideal of the impartial justice who is above politics. Public discussions of court rulings are frequently marked by the fallacy that the court should decide cases based on what produces the best outcome. The only job of the court is to interpret what the law allows. They are required to uphold any laws

that do not violate the constitution, even if they believe the law in question is awful. For example, in the 2003 Lawrence v. Texas decision the court ruled 6-3 to overturn a Texas law that prohibited deviant sexual intercourse with another individual of the same sex.

But these legal considerations are besides the point to most voters. If you're a gay rights advocate, you want a judge that will expand gay rights. If you're pro-life, you want a judge whose decisions will restrict abortion.

When the President selects his replacement for Justice Stevens, the public will have an opportunity to hear a discussion of actual judicial philosophies, such as whether the court should consider international law in its rulings or whether the text of the Constitution should be interpreted exactly as it would have been when it was written or with reference to the current context. These discussions could clear up the widespread confusion about what the Supreme Court does. But the politicized nature of the nomination process could also produce the opposite result, confirming in the publics that the court is simply an extension of the legislature.

When President Obama declared last year that Supreme Court justices should have empathy when considering their rulings, he was speaking as if the justices are politicians. Hopefully whoever he appoints doesn't feel the same way.



Richard Wood
Fourth-year history student

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‘Date Night’ comedy first must-see of year

*Carell, Fey impress, duo
has undeniable chemistry*

Neal Hughes
STAFF WRITER

“Date Night” has a typical Hollywood formula: Take two comic powerhouses, with dominating TV numbers and put them in many zany situations and voila! You have a weekend box office number one. However, “Date Night” is anything but a typical movie. Using the talents of Tina Fey and Steve Carell, “Date Night” becomes a witty surprise and not a characteristic eye gouge-inducing romantic comedy.

Following a “normal, boring married couple,” “Date Night” starts a little slow, showing the viewer the ins and outs of the Foster’s rather drab life. The film depicts them as they go on the same weekly date, the same weekly book club, and the same daily routine — notice a trend? Their lives are continuing on autopilot, until Phil Foster (Steve Carell) has a discussion with his recently separated buddy about the mundane aspects of his marriage. Little does he know his wife Claire (Tina Fey)

is having a similar conversation with the ex-wife. This statement eats at Phil and he decides that on date night that he will mix it up and take Claire to a fancy restaurant in New York City. Being Friday night and being New York City, the Fosters are unable to get a table at the restaurant they really want. Phil, who we come to learn is an impulsive opportunist, decides that the couple will impersonate some no-shows. It sounded like a great idea at the time, but the Fosters soon find out that the couple they are supposed to be impersonating has New York City’s major mob boss gunning for them. The Fosters do their best to explain the case of mistaken identity but since it is a course of action that never works in movies, they end up scrambling for their lives and meeting many strange people along the way.

“Date Night” does many things well but the finest part of the picture is the cameos. Not only does “Date Night” boast a dynamic starring duo, it also has many major stars that make small appearances in the film as well. Mila Kunis and James Franco as the seedy couple, Taste and Whippit, shine above the rest. The two foil the conservative white collar suburban-ness of Fey

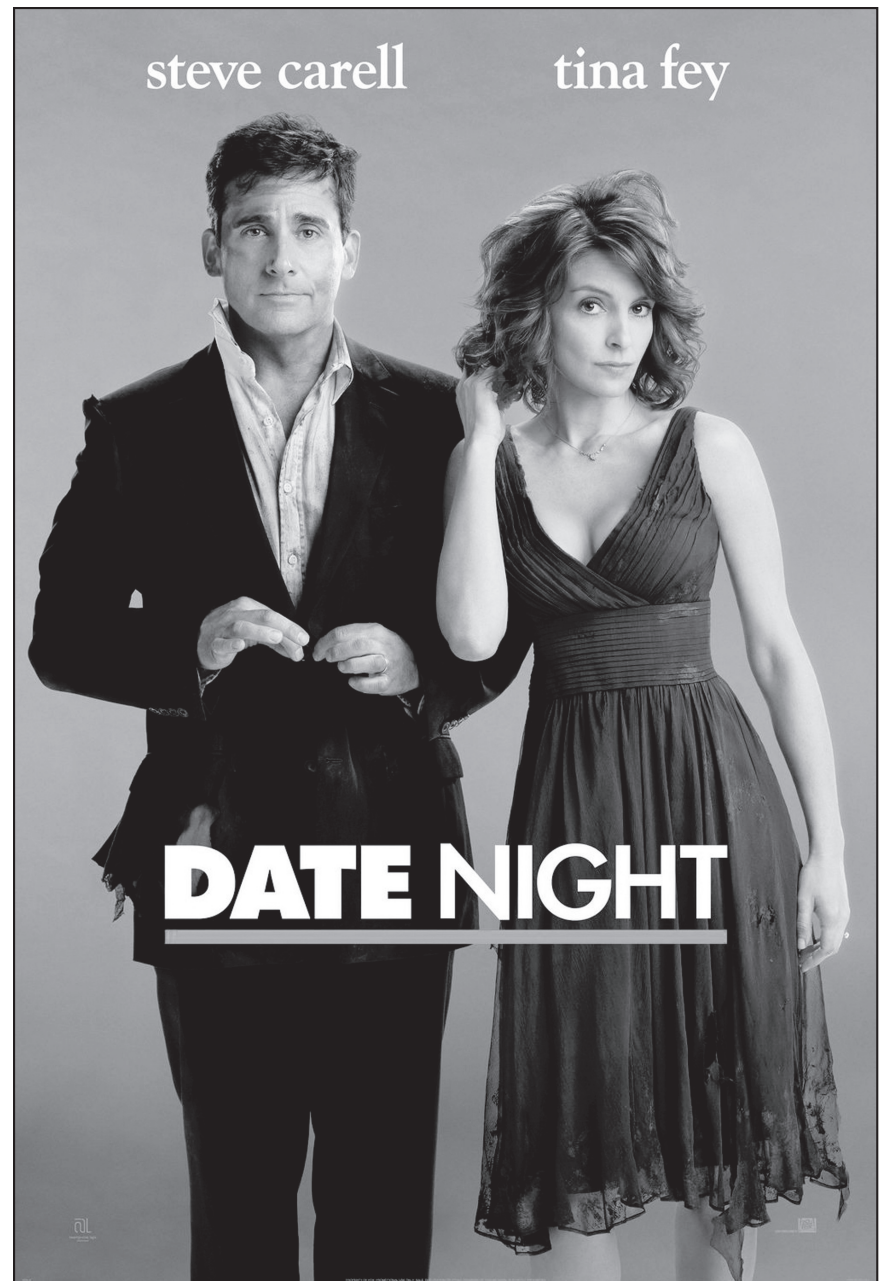
and Carell excellently with their unashamed commitment to being disgusting inner-city trash.

Though it is impressive that “Date Night” was able to acquire so many stars for such little parts, it is equally impressive the way Carell and Fey interact. The chemistry between the two is undeniable and it begs the question, “Why haven’t these two been paired up sooner?”. Each star’s character is somewhat of a continuation of the beloved TV roles that have made them so famous, which is an added plus to the film.

The film’s script is very well written and definitely sharp, but may not deserve all the credit in this movie. Both Carell and Fey are no strangers to improvisation and it is clear that sometimes the director Shawn Levy lets both actors free to see what happens. This results in hilarity and many unexpected jokes.

“Date Night” is the first comedy of the year that really deserves the title “must see,” and certainly is the unexpected gem of the spring season. So, go see what is Tina Fey’s best movie yet and Carell’s redemption for “Evan Almighty.”

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Courtesy of Twentieth Century Fox

Comedians Steve Carell and Tina Fey star as couple Phil and Claire, whose caught-in-a-routine life turns upside down in “Date Night.”



THAT’S ENTERTAINMENT!

‘Glee’ changes television industry

**Fox program revolutionizes marketing,
uses alternative revenue sources
to offset high cost of production**

Jimmy Gilmore
THE MIX EDITOR

Fox has been airing a series of promos for the return of “Glee,” which describes the show as having “changed the TV landscape.” That may seem like a silly, hyperbolic statement, especially for a show that’s only had 13 episodes, but Fox’s high-wire genre-bender has not only caught on like wildfire, it’s given the network a different way to think about how to keep its shows afloat.

Perhaps one of the smartest things the television executives could have done with the show, which melds soap opera, high school social politics, broad comedy and energetic musical numbers into a non-traditional comedy/drama, was to give it an equally non-traditional release pattern.

The show’s pilot aired last May as a stand-alone television special, posting great reviews, high ratings and launching the show’s first single, a cover of Journey’s “Don’t Stop Believin’” to number one.

Fox was quick to order 13 episodes, but it probably wasn’t until the television show produced a No. 1 song that they realized how they could make a relatively expensive and hard-to-market show work. After several more episodes, Fox ordered nine more episodes, which will start airing tonight, and a complete 22-episode order

for a second season.

For most people familiar with Fox television, their willingness to embrace “Glee” produced more than a few double takes; after all, this is the network that canceled fan and critic favorites like “Arrested Development” and “Firefly” just a few years ago.

The real kicker for the show is that, as they so readily advertise, it’s already posted two No. 1 albums and more than four million song downloads. Holy revenue stream, Batman!

Unlike most television shows, which rely almost exclusively on advertising space, DVD sales and, if they can get to 100 episodes, syndication sales to help networks recoup the cost of production slowly over time, Fox has created an alternative source of income to complement their show.

Of course, it probably doesn’t help that the show has already scooped up the Golden Globe for Best Television Series — Musical/Comedy, the Screen Actors Guild award for Best Performance by an Ensemble in a Comedy Series and a Peabody award, in addition to nominations from the Directors Guild and Writers Guild.

Perhaps the runaway success of “American Idol,” television’s most-watched show over multiple years, has allowed Fox to loosen up how it thinks about its programming and take risks. Perhaps “Glee” is a sign of more unique, madcap shows that try to push general conceptions of how television programs work.

Of course, that idea of how programs “work” certainly isn’t limited to their

content. While “Glee” has pushed “high school shows” in a brave new direction that’s almost blissfully manic even in its most uneven moments, Fox has found a way to utilize individual song downloads and album sales in its favor.

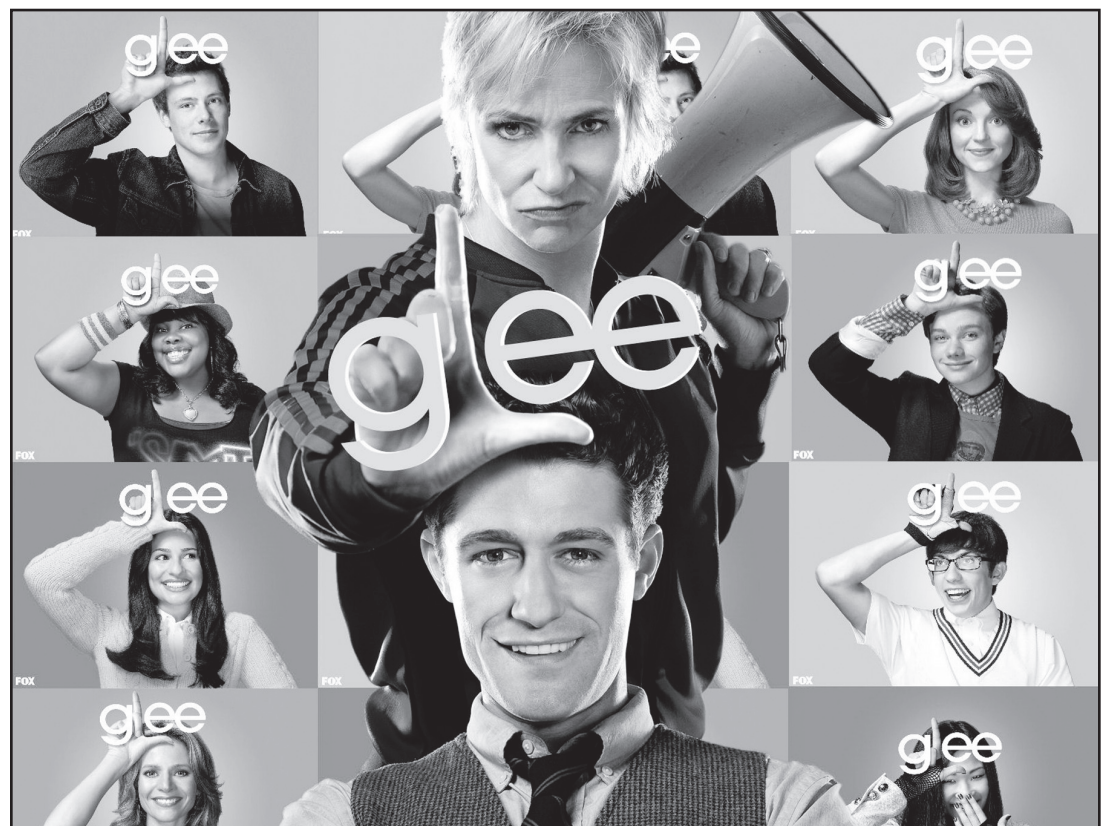
At a time when cable television stations like FX and HBO threaten to yank the best writers and directors away from

broadcast television, and most networks are looking for ways to ease the cost of production, Fox has found a way to draw viewers back.

This merging of narrative programming, CD sales and digital downloads takes the model “American Idol” established and turns it in a new direction. “Glee” is a phenomenon not only in how it’s created a veritable cult following in just 13 episodes, but for how Fox has continued to find ways to use its popularity to fuel its continued production.

Maybe that’s an essential step to changing a medium’s landscape. That’s Entertainment.

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Fox’s innovative marketing of “Glee” merges CD sales with digital downloads.

Inside the Box ♦ By Marlowe Leverette / The Daily Gamecock

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Spurned ♦ By Jarad Greene

1st evening after play rehearsal

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1st evening after final performance

HOROSCOPES

ARIES A super-demanding individual wants to control your every move. Just do what you're told.

TAURUS Part of you wants to be in the spotlight. Another part of you just wants control. Package your act with enthusiasm.

GEMINI Ease into group activities. Your enthusiasm can carry events forward if you reserve it for the right moment.

CANCER Be prepared to either shell out significant cash or revise your goal.

LEO Coworkers think today's all about them. Don't try to change their direction.

That would be futile.

VIRGO Emotional inspiration gives a push to a creative project that had stalled out. Bring associates into the mix to add flavor and spice.

LIBRA You may have a problem getting all of your homework done. A close friend boosts your motivation by providing a reward.

SCORPIO Your persuasive talents work beautifully now. Others may respond negatively at first, but a short conversation achieves agreement.

SAGITTARIUS

There's a big difference between duty and capitulation to the demands of others. Your mission is to handle the situation with grace and firmness.

CAPRICORN You find that you've been wanting something new, and now you feel creative enough to take on the challenge.

AQUARIUS Guard your own time and space in order to maximize accomplishments today.

PISCES You don't have the power to make an executive decision today. You do have the energy to carry out orders from above.

Calendar of Events

What: Girls Bible Study
When: 8 a.m.
Where: RH 304

What: Farmers Market
When: 9 a.m. — 3 p.m.
Where: Greene Street

What: Mayhew Lecture
When: 3:30 p.m.
Where: Gressette Room

What: Tobacco Cessation Class
When: 5:15 p.m.
Where: RH 301

What: Carolina Service Council Committee
When: 6 p.m.
Where: RH 305

What: Hillel Weekly Meeting
When: 7:30 p.m.
Where: RH 303

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Softball
USC Upstate
Wednesday
5 p.m.
Spartanburg, S.C.

Baseball
The Citadel
Wednesday
7 p.m.
Charleston, S.C.

The Scene

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Elmwood Cemetery, 501 Elmwood Ave.

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7:30 p.m., \$8 students
Koger Center for the Arts, 1051 Greene St.

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1-4 p.m., free
Art + Cayce, 1329 State St.

TOMORROW

21 SOUNDS COMPOSER SHOWCASE SERIES
7:30-9 p.m., \$5
The White Mule, 1530 Main St.

INDIE GRITS FILM FESTIVAL
6 p.m., \$7.51
Nickelodeon Theatre, 937 Main St.

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1 Some pilgrims

6 Contests on the road

15 Enjoy a victory, say

16 Ignore, as an insult

17 More or less uniform

18 Black Sea region

19 Holiday pie ingredients

21 Growth chart data: Abbr.

22 __ torch

23 Chateau __

Michelle: world's largest Riesling producer

24 Deem appropriate

26 Indifferent grade

27 Space balls?

29 26-Across enhancement

30 "Holy Toledo!"

32 Like a ward for some new hospital patients

34 It fits in a lock

35 Chat with someone on the way out?

39 Pitcher Dwight Gooden's nickname

40 Home to FDR's presidential library

42 Showbiz figure

45 Seattle Slew, vis-à-vis Swale

46 "The nursery of England's gentlemen"

47 Park in NYC, e.g.

48 "Oops" elicitors

50 Like "Spring" from Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons"

51 "Touch Me in the Morning" singer

53 "Oh no!"

54 Parasite

56 Church rite site

59 The "Demon Star"

60 Passé reception aid

61 Jack's partner in a 1982 #1 John Cougar song

62 Tony award category

DOWN

63 Join

1 Adds in great quantities

2 Cart's wheel attachment

3 Part of a kid's lunch from home

4 Chase on stage

5 WWII Mark II's

6 First name at Notre Dame

7 Dreamer's activity

8 In reality

9 Baker's supply

10 Piece of cheesecake?

11 Somewhat

12 1992 Wimbledon runner-up to Steffi

13 Called forth

14 Word on some Emmy awards

20 Like many a residential system

25 Spark

28 Nasty

30 Wasp's nest site

31 Complaint

33 Distance covered by a first step

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34 Sequences

36 Teacher of Adele Varens, in an 1847 novel

37 Bothering a lot

38 "Nope, the other thing"

41 Pew extension

42 Stone figures

43 Increase in complexity, perhaps

44 Vampire played by Cruise

45 Assertion from one who won't

be outdone

48 Shows

49 Part of a deck

52 Golf hazard, often

55 "Enemies, A Love Story" Oscar nominee

57 47-Across, e.g.

58 PC-to-PC system

Sudoku

By The Mephram Group

04/13/10

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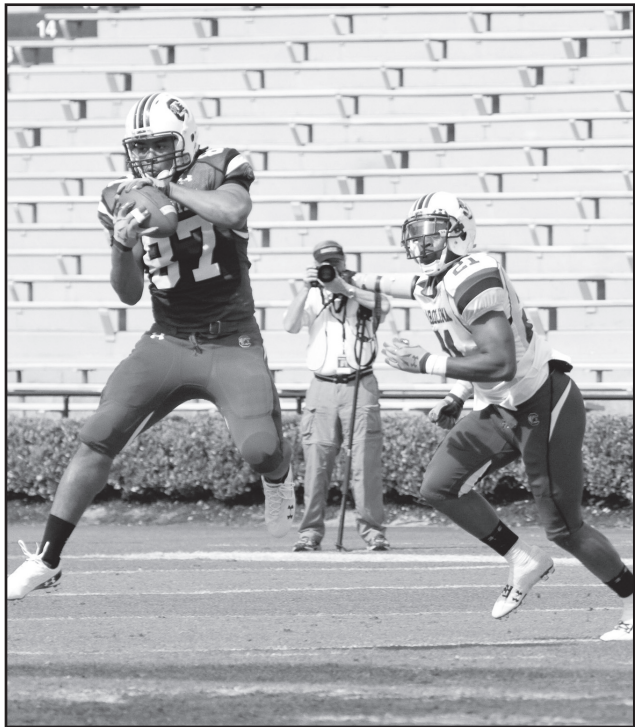
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Justice Cunningham stands out at spring game.

USC quarterback S. Garcia. The defensive secondary still has uncertainty.

2010 season storylines defined

Concerns, bright spots for South Carolina as spring practice closes out

James Kratch
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Defensive Depth

Several veteran defenders were held out of spring practice due to injuries, which forced USC to give substantial reps to many inexperienced players and young guys.

The good news is that guys like Cliff Matthews, Ladi Ajiboye, Chris Culliver and Rodney Paulk are all expected to be at full strength for opening night.

"We've had no caution lights relayed to us by the trainers. Everything's on track; it's just a matter of the clock," said assistant head coach for the defense Ellis Johnson. "I think Rodney [Paulk] is further along, probably because he had the earlier surgery, but they're all doing fine and we've not been given any precautionary notes."

However, Johnson isn't sure that many of the players who practiced matured much this spring.

"We got a lot done," Johnson said. "But I'm not sure some of the kids that need to take advantage of it took advantage of it and really made the strides that we hoped they would."

The Secondary

Carolina struggled with injuries and suspensions in the secondary last year, but more often than not found ways to get by in the unit. The same concerns are still around as USC heads into 2010.

"Right now we don't have eight football players in that secondary that can play on the level we got to play to have a chance to compete and win in this conference," Johnson said.

One position battle to watch will be the race for starting safety between Akeem Auguste and D.J. Swearingner.

"They're both similar players; they're

very physical in style, they're aggressive in nature, but D.J. is bigger and thicker. He's brought a punch. He's been the most obvious hitter out there, I think," Johnson said. "Day in and day out, D.J.'s been the only one out there that pops like an SEC football player. Akeem has probably better coverage skills and he's older and he's more knowledgeable and he probably does more things right."

Garcia's Mechanics

USC coach Steve Spurrier said a lot of things about Garcia this past week, but one of his main concerns was the redshirt junior's throwing form.

"We're trying to work on his form, but maybe we can't change his form. I don't know. We're trying," Spurrier said. "We're trying to get him a little bit more accurate on some throws and so forth."

Garcia said he was up to the challenge of all of Spurrier's criticism.

"There's always more time that I can put into it, and I'll be the first to admit that," Garcia said. "I'm just going to try to learn from what (Spurrier) said and try to change his mind. Nobody's going to be able to do that except me."

Tight End Emergence

The tight end position was an up-and-down one for USC last fall, as the Gamecocks got a total of 34 receptions for 376 yards and three touchdowns worth of production out of the position in 2009.

With the return of Weslye Saunders, who is rated by some experts as the best returning tight end in college football, Pat DiMarco's move to tight end from fullback and the emergence of Justice Cunningham, the position looks like it could be a major strength this season.

"We got three that can play right now, so we could use them all," Spurrier said. "We could have a three tight-end offense. Not likely, but we could. We'll see how all that goes."

Such a notion might not be that far-fetched. Carolina struggled mightily inside the red zone last season, and a dearth of big men who can block and

catch the ball down deep may be just the solution for the woes inside the 20-yard line.

Improving Defenders

Johnson did say that several defensive unit members showed vast improvement, though. Two players he singled out were defensive tackle Melvin Ingram and linebacker Josh Dickerson.

Melvin Ingram saw a lot of time in the trenches throughout the 15 practices and also moonlighted as a fullback in the vaunted Wildcock package.

"Melvin got better because he had a ton of reps," Johnson said.

Dickerson impressed Johnson so much, he feels that it'll be hard to keep him out of the lineup come the fall.

"I thought Josh Dickerson had a good spring, a really solid spring. I feel like he can be a role player with Paulk now and not only make him a better player and push him, but we can almost rotate those guys. I'll find out in the fall if that's true or not, but I really believe that when Rodney comes back, it's going to be a situation where I can't keep Josh off the field."

Play Calling Resolution

The play calling duties for USC was a major topic of discussion and mystery last season.

When Steve Spurrier was calling the bulk of the plays, it was evident as the team looked great on offense.

When it was more of a staff thing, the on-field success tended to subside.

It'll be all Spurrier this season, and that should have a lot of people in Columbia excited.

"I've been calling most all of them, but what I've done a little bit is call more during practice now," Spurrier said. "I usually let some of the assistants call them most of the time, but I've just called more in practice now and plan to call them in the games."

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National top-10 starts to take form

Kratch breaks down landscape with post-spring rankings

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1. Alabama

Until the defending champions are beaten on the field of play, the Crimson Tide is the unequivocal best team in the land.

2. Ohio State

After a stellar performance in the Rose Bowl, Buckeye quarterback Terrelle Pryor looks ready to make the proverbial jump and fulfill the Heisman Trophy aspirations with which he arrived in Columbus.

3. Boise State

One of the major stories coming into the season will be Boise State's chances to crash the BCS title game party, and it isn't that far-fetched. The Broncos brings back 21 of 22 starters.

4. Texas

This Longhorns team won't be the same as last year's national championship game squad, but it'll nonetheless be a talented one. Young Garrett Gilbert showed flashes of brilliance in his relief of an injured Colt McCoy against Alabama, and few programs reload from year to year like UT.

5. Iowa

If Ricky Stanzi didn't get hurt last year, the Hawkeyes would have gone 13-0. Stanzi is one of, if not the, best quarterbacks in the nation, and he'll have Iowa back in the Big 10 hunt once again.

6. Virginia Tech

This should be Frank Beamer's best team in several years. Expect a lot of points as the Hokies should be a force on offense with a bevy of tailbacks to go with budding star Tyrod Taylor.

7. Florida

Florida loses a whole heck of a lot, no doubt. But, like Texas, one very important thing needs to be taken into account: it's Florida. Most of the Gators' backups could start at almost every other school in the nation.

8. Nebraska

Big Red is back. The Cornhuskers came within a second of winning the Big 12 championship, and you can take it to the bank that Nebraska will be back in Arlington, Texas this December.

9. TCU

The Horned Frogs had a disappointing end to 2009 with the Fiesta Bowl loss to Boise State, but beyond the scoreboard, it was clear that TCU was the more talented team. And with nine starters on offense and seven on defense returning, there's no reason to think that Gary Patterson's squad can't make another BCS run.

10. Oklahoma

There's a reason why Bob Stoops took his name out of the Notre Dame running — he has a heck of a ballclub coming in this fall. A lot of young guys got valuable experience in last season's injury plagued 8-5 finish, with the biggest name being quarterback Landry Jones.



Kratch's Post-Spring SEC Look-Ahead

Abbreviated, initial look at 2010 conference landscape

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SEC WEST

1. Alabama

This is the Tide's division to win, period. Alabama is the best team in the league by far.

2. Auburn

The schedule doesn't lie: AU will be favored in every single game until the Iron Bowl against 'Bama, and all the tough ones will be played at Jordan-Hare Stadium.

3. Arkansas

The Hogs should have a great year with a fully healthy Ryan Mallett, but with foot injuries, you have to be cautious.

4. LSU

The Tigers will strap up on defense as always, but will they be able to make plays on offense?

5. Ole Miss

Houston Nutt has got a lot of rebuilding to do, but the young talent is there.

6. Miss State

With the nightmare schedule State plays, it's going to be tough to go to a bowl until the talent level improves.

SEC EAST

1. Florida

Until someone knocks them off, you've got to go with the Gators' immense athleticism.

2. Carolina

This is USC's best shot at a SEC East title since, well, ever.

3. Georgia

Most of the focus is on Joe Cox's replacement, but with an experienced offensive line and Washaun Ealey, UGA's run game could be one of the best around

4. Kentucky

UK brings a lot back on offense and has reasons for hope under first-year coach Joker Phillips.

5. Tennessee

Derek Dooley is on the right path up in Knoxville, but it's going to take a while to recover from the Kiffin era.

12. Vanderbilt

The Commodores aren't going to a bowl game again, but they'll get at least one league win in 2010.

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